TOWN OF DARIEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 7, 2010

ATTENDANCE: David M. Campbell, First Selectman; David F. Bayne

Gerald Nielsen, Jayme J. Stevenson, Callie Sullivan

STAFF: Karl Kilduff, Administrative Officer

CALL TO ORDER

First Selectman Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

First Selectman asked those members of the public who planned to speak to state their name and address. The following public comments were made:

- 1. Mr. Jim Cameron, 55 DuBois Street, stated that he had put together a package in response to the issue of parking rates at the Train Station along with a memo summarizing the area rates and an analysis of options and recommendations. Mr. Bayne stated that he had not received this, and Mr. Kilduff replied that he had just received it and in view of the many issues on the agenda, he would include it in the next meeting packet and would add it to the agenda for the next meeting.
- 2. Ms. Susan Daly, 15 Queens Lane, stated that she had served on the Playground by the Sound Committee and was here on behalf of the Parks and Recreation Dept. regarding the Weed Beach Project. She presented a petition signed by 1,000 residents who strongly support the completion of the project, and reminded the Board that they had made a promise to complete the project in view of the \$250,000 in fundraising efforts along with many local business donations that have been earmarked for the beach renovation, but cannot be spent until the project is approved for completion by the Board. She added that the residents have stated overwhelming support of the project to correct the many problems including irregular curb heights which create safety issues along with the old bathhouse that is in much need of repair. She urged the Board to make good on their promise for completion and to recognize the Beach which is needed to be a show place and central focal point for the Town.

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- 3. Ms. Shirley Olfenst, 22 Country Club Road, stated that she also is in support of the Beach and would very much like to see improvements as it has become run down, as well as improvements made to Pear Tree Beach. She added that many concerns have been presented over the Hoyt Street sidewalk, but wanted to remind the Board that it is a state road and nothing can be done without state approval.
- 4. Mr. Tom Felintino stated that he had two issues to discuss, one was job priorities and the other was 35 Leroy Avenue. He was disappointed that First Selectman Campbell has not lived up to his campaign promises to make his appointment a priority. He added that he expected him to limit his involvement with Rings End, but he had seen him on television with a Rings End promotion and due to his absences and his involvement with Rings End, he clearly is not making his job as First Selectman a priority. Regarding the issue of the recommended "Triple Play" he asked why 35 Leroy Avenue has to be involved with this relocation issue. He stated that it appears to him that it is big government taking "another slice" and making a private building into a public mess.

First Selectman Campbell replied that in response to the building issues, that would be addressed in detail as the item would be presented later in the meeting, and relative to the priority accusations, he takes exception to them as he has been diligent in his public duties. He added that he is rarely at Rings End and a system is in place to handle things when he is away on approved vacation time and he feels the accusations are improper and unjustified.

- 5. Mimi Griffith, DuBois Street, stated that she would like to know the status of the DPW permit, and that while she appreciates the issues of the projects on the Capital Improvements list, health & safety should be priorities. She added that flooding mitigation should be of utmost concern. First Selectman Campbell replied that nothing has happened yet and he is still waiting for reply from the state.
- 6. Ms. Amy Allen of the Darien Arts Center stated that she wants to have the opportunity to participate in the decision over the disposition of the Fine Art Studio and Visual Arts Rooms at the Arts Center. She added that this is an important element of the Town and as they are renters of the Town Hall, they deserve the chance to be involved with decisions that affect the future of their programs.
- 7. Mr. David Kahn, 20 Barringer Road stated that he was a member of the RTM and was here on the Hoyt Street safety issues. He provided an overview of the usage of residents of the Tallmadge Hill Station, along with employees of the Woodway Country Club that walk along Hoyt Street are in a dangerous situation with the narrow street, the absence of sidewalks or footpaths. He stated that while there are competing priorities of the Beach and Senior Center, the Town must look at needs versus "nice to haves", and in the situation of Hoyt Street it is gross negligence. He added that the demolition of the Old Tokeneke Bridge is purely cosmetic and takes away dollars from pedestrian safety that should be used for more pressing needs of the Town.

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- 8. Ms. Holly Schulz, 543 Hoyt Street stated that she is in complete agreement with Mr. Kahn and has worked on this situation for years and nothing has changed. She has written to the state, and has received responses that they would support the Town's recommendations. She has worked on traffic calming recommendations as the average speed is ridiculously high, and that the 75 residents in the area along with the Country Club staff are completely in danger. She added that as taxpayers it is a complete disgrace to live in this situation, and she strongly urges the Board to make this a Town priority.
- 9. Mr. Mark Dam, 15 Barringer Road stated that the Hoyt Street situation is extremely dangerous, he is in full agreement with the comments made by the previous speakers, and urges the Board to do something before someone is hurt or killed on this street.
- 10. Mr. Jim Fletcher, Barringer Road that the Hoyt Street situation is extremely dangerous, he is in full agreement with the comments made by the previous speakers, and urges the Board to do something before someone is hurt or killed on this street.
- 11. Mr. Rob Newner, 558 Hoyt Street, stated that in addition to the comments made by the above speakers there is a blind curve that can be referred to as suicide curve, and he added that as taxpayers it is a complete disgrace to live in this situation, and he strongly urges the Board to fix the problems and do something to make this a Town priority.
- 12. Jennifer Strickland, 16 Barringer Road, stated that she is also in full agreement with the other speakers about the dangers on Hoyt Street. She added that the traffic drives way too fast, her children are not safe waiting for the bus, and she and her family cannot ride their bikes to Waveny Park.
- 13. Cassandra Hagarty, 31 Barringer Road stated that the Hoyt Street situation is extremely dangerous, he is in full agreement with the comments made by the previous speakers, and urges the Board to do something before someone is hurt or killed on this street.

First Selectman Campbell stated that as a courtesy to those members of the public who were out in the hall because there was no room for them and had planned to speak on the Hoyt Street sidewalk issue to come forward. The following people spoke in support of the need for a sidewalk along Hoyt Street, citing the dangerous situations that exist and shared the sentiments of the previous speakers:

(Note many individuals did not sign the meeting participation sheet and did not clearly state their name and address for the record)

14. Rachel Martin, Hoyt Street, stated that she is in full agreement with other comments that the Hoyt Street situation is extremely dangerous, and urges the Board to do something before someone is hurt or killed on this street.

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- 15. Erika Alves, 541 Hoyt Street, stated that the Hoyt Street situation is extremely dangerous, she is in full agreement with the comments made by the previous speakers, and urges the Board to recognize this situation.
- 16. Zachary Gardner, 543 Hoyt Street, stated that the Hoyt Street situation is extremely dangerous, he is in full agreement with the comments made by the previous speakers, and urges the Board to do something before someone is hurt or killed on this street.
- 17. Frieda Newton, 520 Hoyt Street, stated that the Hoyt Street situation is extremely dangerous, she is in full agreement with the comments made by the previous speakers, and urges the Board to do something before someone is hurt or killed on this street.
- 18. Ms. Ann Perlan, stated that she was here to support the Darien Arts Center and stated that the usage very high and it is a very important feature of the Town, especially the Fine Art Studio and Visual Arts Rooms at the Arts Center. She added that this is an important element of the Town and any change would affect the future of their programs.
- 19. Walter Casey, 8 Webster Valley Road stated that he was concerned that the Board was not being transparent and he would like them not to try to hide issues. He added that the Police Station should just be approved, as it is clearly needed without debate. He asked about the bonding and with rates low, is questioning why the Finance Department has presented so many issues, and he would like to know all this affects the real estate assessments. He would like to know the timing of the Senior Center shuffle and stated that making more room the Board of Education is no necessary and is just nuts.
- 20. Mr. Joe Pancowsky stated that he was President of the Commission on Aging and he strongly urged the Board to move forward to support the Senior Center, which is much needed and an integral part of the Town.
- 21. M. Lisa Duran, President of the Darien Arts Center, Darien Arts Center stated that she wants to have the opportunity to participate in the decision over the disposition of the Fine Art Studio and Visual Arts Rooms at the Arts Center. She added that this is an important element of the Town and as they are renters of the Town Hall, they deserve the chance to be involved with the plan and design and the decisions that affect the future of their programs.
- 22. Ms. Susan Fixary, 154 Leroy Avenue stated that her 90 year old mother will not go to a senior center as she feels it is segregation and feels that the move to City Hall is good as it is an inclusionary for seniors to feel part of the entire community not just seniors.
- 23. Laura Thompson, 502 Hoyt Street, stated that she and many of the older homes are situated very close to the street. She asked for the Board to be sensitive to the impact that a sidewalk would have on the location of the homes in relation to their property and to the very narrow street.

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NEW BUSINESS

a) Discuss and Take Action on Approval of Darien Chamber of Commerce Event at Helen Ainson on October 7, 2010

Ms. Carol Wilder-Tamme presented Project Runway that will feature Irina Shabayeva's debut collection and wine tasting by Scena Restaurant to be held at Helen Ainson Darien on October 7 including promotional materials, flyer and pamphlet.

- ** MR. BAYNE MOVED TO APPROVE THE DARIEN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE EVENT AT HELEN AINSON ON OCTOBER 7, 2010
- ** MS. STEVENSON SECONDED.
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Discuss and Take Action on Major Capital Projects

First Selectman Campbell provided an overview of the process which has taken several months and stated that he recommends the proposed shuffle of the town's senior center and Board of Education offices, to 35 Leroy Avenue.

He stated that under the plan, the Darien Board of Education's offices will be shifted to the town's vacant property at 35 Leroy Ave., clearing the way for the relocation of the Darien Senior Activities Center to the district's existing space abutting Town Hall.

Mr. Bayne asked about the Baker Woods ruling that he never received and was quite surprised and concerned that it was no longer on the table. First Selectman stated that the appeal was overturned and would take another thirty days for determination. Mr. Bayne read a letter from Mr. Goldman regarding the detention system at the Noroton Heights Stop and Shop, and asked why the Board was not told about this back in May, as the letter was dated May 31, 2010. He added that this type of misinformation leads him to suspect that other issues are being withheld, and he asked what else is going on that they do not know. First Selectman Campbell said it was an oversight. Mr. Bayne restated his concerns that this was a critical factor in determining the Town's position to approve the capital projects as listed on the meeting agenda.

Ms. Stevenson stated that the Board is very clear on the flood mitigation plan, and there must be continuing negotiations on the issue, but that the capital projects must move forward. She added that there has to be mitigation with the redevelopment project and the Board should see what is outlined with that proposal. Ms. Sullivan stated there must be a discussion over a private owner agreement established to handle a major cit problem as this and the risk of losing 80 cars and potential risk to the citizens far outweighs any negotiation sub-agreement.

Town of Darien Board of Selectmen September 7, 2010 Page 5 of 14 Mr. Campbell stated that the issue of potential flooding was exaggerated and that until the developer's plan was submitted, he was not willing to hold up other capital projects in view of another ongoing negotiation and uncertainty of the long-term commitment by the businesses owners involved with Noroton Heights Center. He added that he felt the Board was not in a position to vote on this flood mitigation issue.

Ms. Stevenson added that it was not on the agenda, and this was not the time to add this issue to the table. She restated her position that Board is very clear on the flood mitigation plan, and there must be continuing negotiations on the issue, but that the capital projects must move forward. She added that there has to be mitigation with the redevelopment project and the Board should see what is outlined with that proposal. Mr. Nielsen stated that he agreed there was too much going on with the mitigation issues and would prefer to take a wait and see position.

a. Determination of Senior Center Project

Mr. Bayne raised concerns about the plan—including cost, suitability for the needs of Darien's senior citizens, and its potential to preclude future capital projects. He asked Mr. Kilduff if the research for the future needs of the senior center were included in the information analysis, and Mr. Kilduff replied that the number of analyses that were done are based on the research of today. He added that it was impossible to look into the future, and that after months of deliberation and presentations, the data that is available represents the vision of today.

First Selectman Campbell asked Susan Swiatek to come forward and present the recommendation for the Senior Center Project. Ms. Swiatek stated that there are many problems with the old building that currently houses the Senior Center including the need for a new roof, replacement plumbing, and she reminded that this building was built for elementary school children not seniors. She urged the Board to accept the recommendation to relocate the center to as to accommodate the programs that are scheduled and to provide a place for senior center expansion.

Mr. Bayne asked about the questions raised by the Finance Department about the plan, and Mr. Kilduff replied that the questions are extremely detailed with over ten pages of comments that has taken a great deal of time to address. He added that the document was lengthy and not germane to the financial elements but focused on items such as room scheduling and size of rooms, which is not their purview. Mr. Nielsen suggested that the items be moved forward in consideration of the length of time and bonding requirements.

First Selectman Campbell referred to the plan presentation that compared building cost of new construction versus relocating and explained the major element was the fact that the Town owned the buildings in question, and it just makes a great deal of sense to maximize the occupancy and to utilize the existing structures rather than build a new building.

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Ms. Sullivan reiterated that the Board of Education did not ask to be moved, and that they did not need all the extra space that was being provided for with the relocation. Ms. Stevenson replied that this was the case, however the Board of Education was very cooperative and willing to move, as this will allow them the flexibility to consolidate offsite functions and will serve accommodations for growth with their future needs.

Ms. Sullivan asked again why the cost analysis of new construction was not updated to reflect accurate costs and to include the relocation costs. Mr. Kilduff referred to the Senior Center Master Plan and stated that the full review was done several times and outlined and discussed at the past several meetings.

Mr. Bayne referred to an e-mail from AP Construction that outlined construction costs for 2010 were the same as 2008. First Selectman Campbell replied that the Master Plan was originally done in 2007.

Mr. Kilduff referred to an analysis of the debt service projection reflecting back-loaded principal payments, and stated that the last page represents how the projects are spread out over time from 2011 through year 2030. Mr. Bayne stated that it was important to have an overview of the full financial implications and impact on the Town and asked if the questions raised by the Finance Committee in their strategic review would be addressed.

Ms. Stevenson asked about the grant application, and Mr. Kilduff stated that there were several issues regarding grant rules and application criteria, based upon guidelines by the state to ensure that the grant does in fact support the seniors. He added that the revised rules have many stipulations to avoid misuse for other non-senior projects, and to agree to run the senior Center for twenty years.

Ms. Stevenson clarified that the grant was for \$750,000 and there were various levels of documentations. Mr. Kilduff clarified that the stipulations included twenty year commitment for the use as a Senior Center along with definitions of open to the public and non-resident usage.

Mr. Bayne stated that the analysis assumes that all projects will proceed, and restated that it was important to have the full financial implications on the Town and that a vote by on the capital projects would reflect response to public comments. Ms. Stevenson added that the newspapers had been providing good coverage on the issues to keep the public informed. She added that she agreed with First Selectman Campbell that it was the most cost effective move and that it makes total sense to move the Board of Education. She said they would finalize the details of the financial plan and bonding aspects at the next meeting.

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- ** MR. NIELSEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE RELOCATION OF THE DARIEN SENIOR CENTER TO THE TOWN HALL BUILDING, AND MOVING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICES TO 35 LEROY AVENUE.
- ** MS. STEVENSON SECONDED.
- ** THE MOTION PASSED WITH THREE VOTES IN FAVOR (CAMPBELL, NIELSEN, STEVENSON) AND TWO OPPOSED (BAYNE, SULLIVAN).

b. Authorization to Proceed and Timing of Police Department Project.

First Selectman Campbell asked the Police Department representatives to come forward, and the Police Commissioner stated that they were hoping for a vote to move the project forward. He added that the headquarters project, delayed in the aftermath of the 2008 financial crash, is now scheduled to begin in March 2011.

- ** MR. NIELSEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH A DRAFT RESOLUTION FOR \$1.6 MILLION FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT PROJECT.
- ** MS. STEVENSON SECONDED.
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

c. Authorization to Proceed and Timing of Weed Beach Project

First Selectman Campbell asked Susan Swiatek to come forward and present the recommendation for the Weed Beach Project. Ms. Swiatek stated that there are many problems with the incomplete funding of the project, as duplicate and inefficient economies will not be achieved if only partial work is done.

Ms. Jane Brannigan, Chair of the Parks and Recreation Commission, came forward and presented a letter from Wayne Fox that outlined the many issues and cost overages that occur by completing the project in phases rather than simultaneous construction and development. She asked if the Board could unfreeze the entire amount that was frozen. Mr. Bayne stated that he agrees that there is just too much parking lot work with water lines, and power lines to only do partial work in the parking lots, and that is makes more sense to do the entire project. Ms. Daly reminded the Board that they had promised to reinstate the entire project not just partial, when they froze the expenditures.

First Selectman Campbell asked Ms. Swiatek if she would accept \$2million rather than delay the entire project, and she responded that she would not want to lose the opportunity to get started by Spring on the project.

Ms. Stevenson stated that she had several questions and would like the opportunity to ask the questions before releasing the balance of \$1.6 million. Ms. Sullivan asked about the trees, and Ms. Swiatek replied that the trees would be kept in tact,

Ms. Swiatek replied that the project has been vetted through all committees and all questions have been thoroughly reviewed, but that she would be happy to meet with her to review her further questions.

Ms. Cheryl Russell asked how the bonding process was determined, and Mr. Kilduff replied that there is a multi-staged process, and he referred to the Finance Committee analysis of the bond pay out schedule that had been presented at several meetings. An additional \$1.6 million for the beach project—originally slated to come out of the town's general fund—will now require an additional bonding issue due to concerns over its impact on the town's reserves. That component of the plan will require approval from the Board of Finance and Representative Town Meeting. Mr. Bayne suggested the Board find a way to approve the full funding.

** MR. BAYNE MOTIONED TO APPROVE \$2 MILLION OF THE WEED BEACH RENOVATION PROJECT.

- ** MS. SULLIVAN SECONDED.
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
- ** MR. BAYNE MOVED TO AMEND THE AGENDA TO DISCUSS AN AGREEMENT TO SUPPORT THE FULL FUNDING OF THE \$3 MILLION WEED BEACH PROJECT.
- ** MS. SULLIVAN SECONDED.
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
- ** MR. BAYNE MOTIONED TO PROVIDE A SENSE OF MEETING SUPPORT FOR THE FULL FUNDING OF THE WEED BEACH PROJECT

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TO MODIFY BONDING TO FIND A WAY TO APPROVE THE FULL FUNDING OF THE \$3 MILLION WEED BEACH PROJECT.

- ** MS. SULLIVAN SECONDED.
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Discuss and Take Action on a Resolution Authoring and Directing the First Selectman to Execute a Memorandum of Agreement Between the State of Connecticut and the Town of Darien Regarding the FY2011 Emergency Management Performance Grant Program.

- ** MR. BAYNE MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION AS SUBMITTED:
- ** MS. STEVENSON SECONDED.
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE FIRST SELECTMAN TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT AND THE TOWN OF DARIEN REGARDING THE FY2011 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security can make grants available for municipal emergency operations centers, staffing and other emergency management activities, of which the Town of Darien is eligible; and

WHEREAS, grants are intended to increase operational capability through the funding of personnel and administrative expenses; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Darien has applied for, and been awarded, funding in the past for part-time Emergency Management Director Marc McEwan; and

WHEREAS, the Darien Board of Selectmen wish to continue to secure State funding to support emergency management operations in the town.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Darien Board of Selectmen may enter into with and deliver to the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security any and all documents which it deems to be necessary or appropriate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that David M. Campbell, as First Selectman of the Town of Darien, is authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents on behalf of the Board of Selectmen and to do and perform all acts and things he deems necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms of such documents, including, but not limited to, executing and delivering all agreements and documents contemplated by such documents.

b) Transfers

Public Works Department

RESOLVED:

That the following transfer of appropriations is approved for referral to the Board of Finance:

From:	To:	l

Acct. No.	Account	Amount	Acct. No.	Account	Amount
30442144-907905	Sidewalks-Commerc	\$65,430	TBD	Old Tokeneke Bridge	\$65,430
	TOTAL	\$65,430		TOTAL	\$65,430

First Selectman Campbell referred to the supporting memo from Mr. Steeger of the DPW and stated, as was discussed at previous meetings, the Norwalk Common Council has voted to remove the bridge and the Town of Darien's share (50%) is \$65,430 to put in a pedestrian bridge over the Five Mile River.

Ms. Sullivan asked about a footbridge and what pedestrians will do to get to the Rowayton Train Station. She said that he had known about the removal costs, but did not agree to match the funding for the demolition of the bridge yet Norwalk is expecting Darien to match the funds for the bridge replacement.

Ms. Sullivan asked if there was any paperwork done, and First Selectman Campbell replied there was no budget or formal plan and added that Mr. Steeger had pulled it out of the budget once there was no concrete plan and in view of other more pressing capital budget needs for the Town. Mr. Nielsen stated that Hoyt Street is a more pressing issue.

Mr. Bayne asked if there was any public safety or health issue or any reports done from an engineer, or if Mr. Steeger had ever gone under and evaluated the conditions. First Selectman Campbell stated that it is evident that rocks are falling in, and added that there was a report back in 2002 where the state offered an 80% reimbursement grant for repairs, but Norwalk did not come forth to present it as a public safety issue. Mr. Bayne asked if there was signage, and First Selectman Campbell said there is a sign that says falling rock.

Ms. Sullivan stated that that her concern is that once the bridge is removed, it prevents residents from having a pedestrian access to the train and that they will be forced to walk on the street, which is a safety hazard. She added that unless there is an emergency, there is a level of skepticism that this is just a budget issue, and there should be a paper trail with bids from an engineer outlining the specifics. Mr. Bayne stated that he would be more comfortable tabling the item until public comment can be heard.

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- ** MR. BAYNE MOTIONED TO TABLE THE APPROVAL OF THE TRANSFER REQUEST FROM DPW FOR REMOVAL OF THE TOKENEKE BRIDGE UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING.
- ** MS. STEVENSON SECONDED.
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Multiple Departments RESOLVED:

That the following transfer of appropriations is approved for referral to the Board of Finance:

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Acct. No.	Account	Amount	Acct. No.	Account	Amount
	See attachment			See attachment	
	TOTAL			TOTAL	

- ** MR. BAYNE MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE ATTACHED LISTING OF TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR REFERRAL TO THE BOARD OF FINANCE
- ** MR. NIELSEN STEVENSON SECONDED.
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT

First Selectman Campbell stated that the Probate Court is scheduled for next week. He stated that there is a memorial service on Saturday for 911 victims at Middlesex School at 8:30 a.m. on September 11.

First Selectman Campbell stated that there was a notice in the paper regarding appointed positions and unaffiliated positions and they had received four calls. Mr. Bayne stated that it was misleading that the notice appeared to imply that only unaffiliated positions were open.

First Selectman Campbell stated that in response to the public comments regarding Hoyt Street that the missing piece of this puzzle is the DOT, and they have had no response from them. He added that regarding the comment about New Canaan, that they will not consider being involved with the sidewalk project and have provided their decision that the action must come from the DOT. He added that there have been other problems with the DOT non response to state right of way and stated the example of Whole Foods re lining the street lines along the Post Road, and that still is not done. He said for the record that they are the "Bureaucracy from Hell"

Town of Darien Board of Selectmen September 7, 2010 Page 12 of 14 Ms. Sullivan suggested that intermediate step for action be taken to fund a study for the best location of the sidewalk to address the many logistical elements involved so that when the DOT does come through that the Town is prepared to begin improvements.

Ms. Stevenson stated that she agrees with spending money for the survey but would not be in a position to vote on this survey, as she feels that many details need to be worked out such as maintenance, snow removal, etc. She added that the Board should note that this issue is not solely one involving Hoyt Street, but conditions exist in many other areas such as Tokeneke Road, Route 136, the Post Road, etc. and that the traffic calming study did highlight those issues.

First Selectman responded that the item would be on the agenda for the next meeting, and hopefully Terry Wood would have more information and an update of the status with the DOT.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Mr. Kilduff presented his written report and stated that in the interest of time recommended acceptance of his report as submitted with no further comment.

- 6. AGENDA REVIEW No action taken.
- 7. APPOINTMENTS/RE-APPOINTMENTS

Consider and take action on the following **re-appointment**:

- a) William Jessup to the Five Mile River Commission for a 4-year term beginning on May 3, 2008 and expiring on May 2, 2012
- ** MS. SULLIVAN MOTIONED THE APPROVAL OF WILLIAM JESSUP TO THE FIVE MILE RIVER COMMISSION FOR A 4-YEAR TERM BEGINNING ON MAY 3, 2008 AND EXPIRING ON MAY 2, 2012
- ** MS. STEVENSON SECONDED.
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS Regular Meeting of August 16, 2010
- ** MR. BAYNE MOTIONED TO TABLE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF AUGUST 16, 2010
- ** MS. STEVENSON SECONDED.
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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9. FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

September 7, 2010	Planning & Zoning Commission Planning Meeting at 8:00 p.m.
September 14, 2010	Board of Education Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
September 14, 2010	Planning & Zoning Commission General Meeting at 8:00 p.m.
September 15, 2010	Parks & Recreation Commission Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
September 20, 2010	Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting at 7:45 p.m.
September 21, 2010	Board of Finance Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

10. OTHER BUSINESS (Any items added to the agenda require a two-thirds vote.)

AGENDA REVIEW

First Selectman Campbell stated that there were no additional items to add to the agenda.

9. OTHER BUSINESS (Any items added to the agenda require a two-thirds vote.)

There was no Other Business discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

- ** MR. BAYNE MOTIONED TO ADJOURN.
- ** MS. STEVENSON SECONDED.
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Knox Telesco Secretarial Services